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EXPANSION OF COMPONENTS TEST CAPABILITY
BEIJING GUIDED MISSILE DEVELOPMENT AND
PRODUCTION CENTER CHANGXINDIAN, CHINA

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1. (S/D) SIGNIFICANCE: CONSTRUCTION OF TWO NEW MISSILE COMPONENTS TEST BUILDINGS MAY INDICATE A NEW DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM OR AN EXPANSION OF A CURRENT PROGRAM.
2. (S/D) REMARKS: EXPANSION OF THE PROPULSION COMPONENTS TEST CAPABILITY IS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY AT BEIJING GUIDED MISSILE DEVELOPMENT AND PRODUCTION CENTER CHANGXINDIAN. TWO NEW COMPONENTS TEST BUILDINGS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED IN AN AREA OF PREVIOUSLY REPORTED CONSTRUCTION NEAR THE PROPULSION COMPONENTS TEST AREA. THIS MAY INDICATE EITHER THAT A NEW PROPULSION SYSTEM IS BEING DEVELOPED AT THE CENTER, OR THAT AN EXISTING PROGRAM IS BEING EXPANDED.

(S/D) THE NEW CONSTRUCTION AREA IS LOCATED JUST EAST OF THE EXISTING PROPULSION COMPONENTS TEST AREA. CONSTRUCTION BEGAN IN JUNE 1980; [REDACTED] 13 PERMANENT BUILDINGS HAD BEEN CONSTRUCTED, INCLUDING TWO COMPONENTS TEST BUILDINGS (DESIGNATED COMPONENTS TEST BUILDINGS 6 AND 7). THESE COMPONENTS TEST BUILDINGS WILL PROBABLY BE USED FOR THE SAME PURPOSE AS THE OLDER COMPONENTS TEST BUILDINGS AT CHANGXINDIAN (DESIGNATED 1 THROUGH 5) -- STATIC TEST FIRING OF PROPULSION SYSTEM COMPONENTS SUCH AS GAS GENERATORS, TURBO-PUMPS, AND VERNIER ENGINES. EACH OF THE TWO COMPONENTS TEST BUILDINGS CONTAINS AT LEAST ONE HORIZONTAL TEST CELL AND HAS A NEARBY TUNNEL-CONNECTED CONTROL/TEST MONITORING BUILDING. COMPONENTS TEST BUILDING 6 [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] TRACKS ARE LOCATED ON EITHER SIDE OF THE TEST CELL FOR A SLIDING ROOF SIMILAR TO THE SLIDING ROOFS ON SEVERAL OF THE OLDER COMPONENTS TEST BUILDINGS. THE ASSOCIATED CONTROL/TEST MONITORING BUILDING [REDACTED] METERS WIDE. COMPONENTS TEST BUILDING 7 [REDACTED] AND DOES NOT HAVE A SLIDING ROOF. ITS ASSOCIATED CONTROL/TEST MONITORING BUILDING IS L-SHAPED, [REDACTED]

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(S/D) ANALYST'S COMMENTS -- THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE COMPONENTS TEST BUILDINGS TO A PARTICULAR PROPULSION DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IS UNDETERMINED AT THIS TIME. THE THIRD STAGE OF THE LONG [REDACTED] SPACE LAUNCH VEHICLE IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED AT THE CHANGXINDIAN CENTER AND RECENT IMAGERY INDICATES THAT COMPONENTS TESTING ON THIS SYSTEM MAY STILL BE UNDERWAY. IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE, HOWEVER, THAT A NEW SYSTEM IS UNDER DEVELOPMENT AT THE CENTER. [REDACTED]

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3. (S) [REDACTED] COORDINATES 39-49-02N 116-08-13E

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